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SUBJECT: RETURN OF REMAINS

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1. VECCHI HAS INFORMED MFA AS FOLLOWS IN TELEGRAM DATED JULY 22:

2. AFTER A NUMBER OF DELAYS, THE ANGOLAN MINISTRY OF JUSTICE HAS TURNED OVER TO VECCHI THE PAPERS NECESSARY FOR SHIPMENT OF GEARHART'S REMAINS. THE BODY WAS INSPECTED AND RECOGNIZED AS GEARHART BY FSL CORREA.

3. SHIPMENT IS PLANNED ON JULY 24 VIA LISBON WITH ARRIVAL IN NEW YORK ANTICIPATED FOR JULY 27.

4. VECCHI MADE NO MENTION OF BACON IN HIS TELEGRAM AND MFA ATTEMPTS TO GET THROUGH BY TELEPHONE HAVE FAILED SO FAR. MFA WILL TRY AGAIN TOMORROW, JUNE 23, CONCERNING BACON (REFTEL).

5. VECCHI RELAYED MESSAGE WHICH CORREA WANTED TO GET TO DEPARTMENT CONCERNING FOUR PORTUGUESE AND 3 ANGOLAN EMPLOYEES OR EX-EMPLOYEES OF CONGEN LUANDA. NATURALLY THAT OFFICE HAS NO OFFICIAL OR FORMAL RECOGNITION. IN THE ABSENCE OF SUCH (STATUS) ALL THESE PERSONS ARE BADLY AFFECTED BY NEW ANGOLAN LAW WHICH REQUIRES NEW SET OF "WORKING PAPERS" FOR
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ALL THOSE EMPLOYED BY PUBLIC OR PRIVATE ENTITIES. COMMENT:

MFA TAKES THIS TO MEAN THAT ANGOLANS ARE DENYING WORKING PAPERS TO THESE PERSONS ON THE GROUNDS THAT THEY ARE NOT EMPLOYED BY ANY ENTITY RECOGNIZED UNDER ANGOLAN LAW. JUST WHAT THE CONSEQUENCES OF THAT FINDING ARE IS UNCLEAR TO BOTH THE MFA AND TO THIS EMBASSY. MFA WILL TRY TO GET MORE ON THIS IF IT MANAGES TO GET THROUGH TO VECCHI BY PHONE.

6. VECCHI HAS FULL INFORMTION ON CONSIGNMENT OF GEARHART REMAINS. SINCE HE IS A HIGHLY COMPETENT OFFICER WE ASSUME SHIPMENT WILL BE PROPERLY MARKED. NEVERTHELESS EMBASSY LISBON MAY WANT TO CHECK DURING LISBON TRANSIT. REGRET WE CANNOT SUPPLY FLIGHT NUMBER BUT TRUST THAT A LIMITED NUMBER OF FLIGHTS FROM ANGOLA DAILY WILL MAKE A CHECK FEASIBLE. VOLPE

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